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**Sent**: 4/28/2017 6:01:42 PM

**To**: Scott Yager [syager@beef.org]

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Subject: Re: Cattlemen to Cattlemen video with Administrator Pruitt

Thank you, Scott.

Millan Hupp 202.380.7561

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 28, 2017, at 11:50 AM, Scott Yager < syager@beef.org > wrote:

Administrator Pruitt and senior staff,

I'm reaching out to share our Cattlemen to Cattlemen video clip that aired on RFD TV. Appreciate all you do.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CMPA1oaP0dc

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From: Kate Maher [kmaher@beef.org]

**Sent**: 3/30/2017 3:43:14 PM

To: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: Administrator Pruitt

Hi Lincoln,

No worries at all, we just appreciate him speaking to our members.

Thank you for the opportunity to come over this afternoon. I believe Ed will confirm the 2:30 time with you if he hasn't already

Thanks for setting this up and we will see you soon.

Let me know what else you need from me.

Best, Kate

Sent with Good (www.good.com) Kate Maher NCBA

From: Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>

Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 9:37:15 AM

To: Kate Maher

**Subject:** Administrator Pruitt

Hi Kate -

Great to meet you earlier at the event. So sorry we had to duck out early. I emailed Ed to let you all know we are happy to try to find a time this afternoon to have you all stop by the office if you're available.

He should have about a 10 minutes timeslot at either 2:30 or 4:30.

Thanks, Lincoln

## **Lincoln Ferguson**

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From: Ed Frank [efrank@beef.org]
Sent: 3/30/2017 3:37:48 PM

To: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: NCBA meeting

Let's shoot for 2:30. I'll tell them to get to the building around 2:00.

Sent with Good (www.good.com)

From: Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>

Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 11:36:35 AM

To: Ed Frank

Subject: RE: NCBA meeting

They can come to the North EPA building at 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W.

Which time works best?

From: Ed Frank [mailto:efrank@beef.org]
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 11:35 AM

To: Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>

Cc: Kate Maher < kmaher@beef.org>

Subject: RE: NCBA meeting

Yep - where should they report?

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From: Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>

Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 11:17:15 AM

To: Ed Frank

Subject: RE: NCBA meeting

Ed -

I wanted to see if the Cattleman TV crew would like to stop by the EPA for a quick interview with Administrator Pruitt. Looks like he'll have about a 10-minute window at 2:30 and 4:30 this afternoon.

Let me know if they'd be interested in this.

Thanks, Lincoln

From: Ed Frank [mailto:efrank@beef.org]
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 4:41 PM

To: Ferguson, Lincoln < ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>

Subject: NCBA meeting

Lincoln -

Scott Yager asked me to touch base with you re: Administrator Pruitt's visit to NCBA's Legislative Conference on Thursday morning.

Re: media, we don't plan to blast out a full, public advisory, but we do plan to send planning-purposes advisories to DC-based media that we work with regularly and/or who have expressed interesting in attending Administrator Pruitt's session. We won't send out an advisory until Wednesday, but at this point, I plan to send to Juliet Eilperin w/ the Post, some of the Politico ag team, E&E Daily, Spencer Chase w/ Agri-Pulse, RFD-TV, and maybe a few more like Bloomberg. The crew that produces our Cattlemen to Cattlemen TV show would also like to interview the Administrator for five minutes immediately before or after his remarks.

Also, as Scott may have mentioned, if you can provide a quote or two from the Administrator's prepared remarks in advance, we'll include that in the release that we'll distribute after his appearance with us.

Thanks for all your help on this – and if I can be of any assistance in the run-up to this event or going forward in the future, just let me know.

Thanks,

-Ed

-Ed Frank

Director of Policy Communications National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA)

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From: Hupp, Millan [hupp.millan@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 3/30/2017 3:36:33 PM

To: Ed Frank [efrank@beef.org]; Scott Yager [syager@beef.org]

**CC**: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: Thank you!

Thank you so much, Ed. Looking forward to enjoying the festivities from my balcony next week!

From: Ed Frank [mailto:efrank@beef.org]
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 11:34 AM

To: Scott Yager <syager@beef.org>; Hupp, Millan <hupp.millan@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Thank you!

Millan - thanks for all your help with today's event - it was a great success. Btw - here are links to a couple of pics I tweeted out - feel free to use or retweet if they're helpful.

https://twitter.com/beltwaybeef/status/847455108044513285

https://twitter.com/beltwaybeef/status/847452388009132033

Best of luck with the new job - and enjoy baseball season in your new 'hood.

-Ed

Sent with Good (www.good.com)

From: Scott Yager

Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 11:28:33 AM

To: Hupp, Millan; Ed Frank Subject: RE: Thank you!

Millan, that was perfect! Thanks so much for all your work on this. Regarding Cattlemen to Cattlemen tv, happy to hear Lincoln is working to put something together. No worries on the departure, we know the administrator is busy and we want to be respectful of his time.

You can reach Jennifer Houston at ihouston@beef.org.

Thanks again!

Scott Yager Environmental Counsel National Cattlemen's Beef Association 1275 Pennsylvania Ave NW Suite 801 Washington DC 20004

From: Hupp, Millan < hupp.millan@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 11:20:45 AM

**To:** Scott Yager; Ed Frank **Subject:** Thank you!

Scott and Ed,

Thank you both so much for all your help this morning. The Administrator really enjoyed being with the group.

I'm so sorry we had to duck out early but I think Lincoln is working to set up an interview with Cattleman's TV for this afternoon.

Also, there was a woman by the name of Jennifer that gave me a jar of salsa. Could I possible get her name and contact info? We would really like to thank her.

Hope the rest of the conference goes well!

Warm regards, Millan

From: Hupp, Millan [hupp.millan@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 3/29/2017 7:36:05 PM

To: Scott Yager [syager@beef.org]; Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: Draft questions for Pruitt - NCBA Legislative Conference

Thank you so much, Scott. Below is a link to the best bio for the Administrator.

https://www.epa.gov/aboutepa/epas-administrator

From: Scott Yager [mailto:syager@beef.org]
Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 3:11 PM

To: Hupp, Millan <a href="https://www.nillan@epa.gov">https://www.nillan@epa.gov</a>; Ferguson, Lincoln <a href="mailto:ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov">ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov</a>>

Subject: Draft questions for Pruitt - NCBA Legislative Conference

Craig Uden (NCBA President) will introduce Administrator Pruitt and then moderate a short Q&A after his speech to the group. A few of the questions that might be asked during the Q&A include –

- Role of compliance assistance versus enforcement and need for EPA to provide compliance before enforcement so cattle producers understand the law and how to comply
- Value of partnership/collaborative efforts
- Cooperative federalism states being in driver's seat of running their environmental programs

## <u>Draft questions for Cattlemen to Cattlemen interview after his speech to NCBA --</u>

- 1) Cattle producers across the country supported your nomination to lead the EPA and they now look to your leadership to bring common sense back to the EPA, an agency many view as the embodiment of government regulation run amok. What are your guiding principles in leading this agency?
- 2) The President signed an Executive Order to rescind and replace the Obama Administration's WOTUS Rule, a regulation that cattle producers strongly opposed due to the regulatory overreach and ambiguity. So the EO was a very welcome action to producers. What can we expect to happen next, and what can we do to make sure the cattle industry's voice is heard on a replacement?
- 3) Administrator Pruitt, we appreciate your understanding that this country's cattle producers are the best stewards of their natural resources. What message would you share with them as environmental sustainability will continue to be a big issue?
- 4) Administrator Pruitt, the most important question for last: we heard that you might be a big fan of beef. Can you confirm or deny, and if so, what's your favorite cut of steak?

From: Scott Yager [syager@beef.org]
Sent: 3/29/2017 7:14:10 PM

To: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: re Administrator Pruitt's Thursday speaking engagement

I'll share with our comms and get back with you if we need anything further. Thanks Lincoln.

From: Ferguson, Lincoln [mailto:ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 2:26 PM

To: Scott Yager <syager@beef.org>

Subject: RE: re Administrator Pruitt's Thursday speaking engagement

Scott -

Here is a quote you can attribute to Administrator Pruitt. Let me know if this will work:

"In Oklahoma, I saw first-hand that cattlemen care deeply about a clean and healthy environment, because their livelihoods depend on it," said EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt. "Looking forward, we will build a partnership with landowners across the country and create commonsense rules that protects our environment."

From: Scott Yager [mailto:syager@beef.org]
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 2:52 PM

To: Ferguson, Lincoln < ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>

Subject: re Administrator Pruitt's Thursday speaking engagement

Hi Lincoln,

I tried calling you a few times today in regarding the Administrator Pruitt's speaking engagement this Thursday. When you have a chance give me a call — Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP). I'm in the office rest of today then Leg Con starts tomorrow and I'll be tied up for the rest of the week. Can you provide a Pruitt quote that we can use in press release after the Administrator speaks to our group? Happy to answer any questions you have.

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CC: Ed Frank [efrank@beef.org]; Shawna Newsome [snewsome@beef.org]

**Subject**: Cattlemen to Cattlemen Episode with Administrator Pruitt

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#### Good morning Lincoln,

I just wanted to let you know that the Cattlemen to Cattlemen episode that includes Administrator Pruitt's interview we did with him will be airing tonight. Here are two links to the show promo:

https://www.facebook.com/CattlementoCattlemen/?hc\_ref=PAGES\_TIMELINE&fref=nf

https://twitter.com/BeefUSA/status/856879247809536000

Once the episode airs it will be posted to our YouTube channel and I will be sure to send you a link to the segment.

Thanks again for this opportunity and please let me know if you need anything else from me.

Best,

Kate Maher
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Subject: Fwd: Agriculture Education Grant Opportunities at EPA

FYI in case you want to pass along-

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Subject: Agriculture Education Grant Opportunities at EPA

All,

I hope that you will be able to join our Office of Environmental Education grant program staff for an informational webinar that will go through some of the requirements in the 2018 EE local grant requests for proposals. This webinar will also provide tips on avoiding common mistakes applicants make.

Agricultural topics are included in this year's solicitation, and therefore we wanted to flag the opportunity to learn more about this year's environmental education grant program at EPA.

Feel free to reach out to me with any questions you may have.

Regards, Stephen

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Subject: RE: EPA Animal Waste Reporting Outreach Call with Stakeholders

Hi All,

Just another reminder to please consolidate in conference rooms/offices if possible, so that we can limit the number of lines needed for this call. We want to make sure we don't run into a potential capacity issue. Also, please remember to mute your line while you're not speaking or asking a question. Thanks! Talk to you soon!

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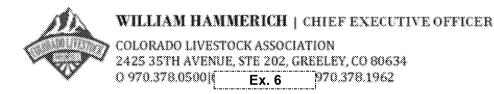
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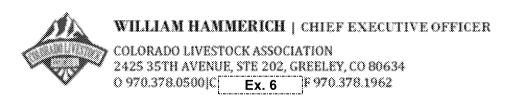
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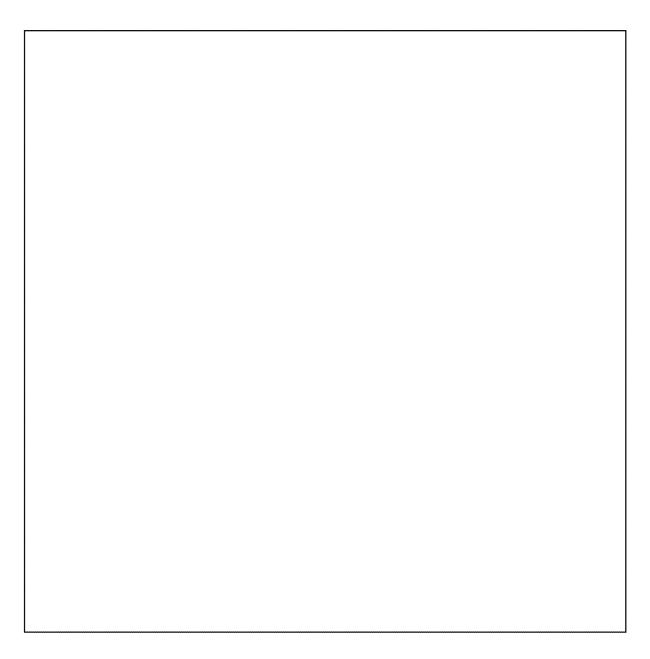
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CC: Mark Frasier [frasier@kci.net]; Bill Hammerich [bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org]

Subject: Frasier Ranch visit

Attachments: Frasier Ranch visit\_7-26-17.docx

#### Tate,

Attached is the draft line-by-line for the Administrator's visit to Frasier Ranch on August 2. Let me know if you need anything else. I'm also pasting it below, for your convenience.

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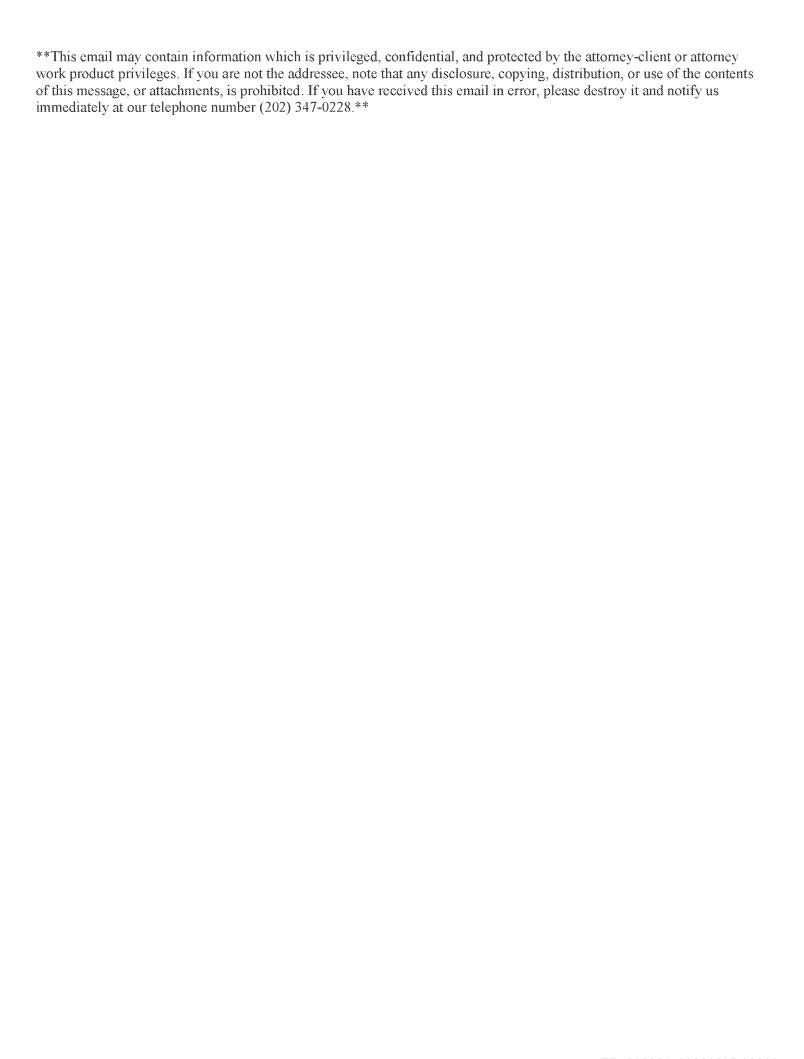
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**Subject**: RE: Meeting next week

Sounds good. Be safe.

From: Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov> Sent: Wednesday, August 8, 2018 9:37 AM

To: Don Parrish <donp@fb.org>
Subject: Re: Meeting next week

Just when convenient. I'll be driving all afternoon.

On Aug 8, 2018, at 9:30 AM, Don Parrish < donp@fb.org > wrote:

That works - any specific time?

From: Bennett, Tate < Bennett. Tate@epa.gov > Sent: Wednesday, August 8, 2018 9:27 AM

**To:** Don Parrish < donp@fb.org > **Subject:** Re: Meeting next week

Just for a call with me?

On Aug 8, 2018, at 9:14 AM, Don Parrish < donp@fb.org > wrote:

Sounds good – send me the details.

From: Bennett, Tate < Bennett Tate@epa.gov > Sent: Wednesday, August 8, 2018 9:02 AM

To: Don Parrish < donp@fb.org > Subject: Re: Meeting next week

Friday afternoon?

On Aug 8, 2018, at 8:58 AM, Don Parrish <donp@fb.org> wrote:

Sure – When are you thinking? I have a couple of meetings on Thursday and one on Friday morning.

drp

From: Bennett, Tate < <u>Bennett.Tate@epa.gov</u>> Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 4:55 PM

To: Scott Yager <syager@beef.org>; Don Parrish <donp@fb.org>

Subject: Meeting next week

Do you all have time to touch base before the 16<sup>th</sup>? I believe you should receive a confirmation e-mail soon. Want to see what issues you think will be covered so that we can have the Acting Admin ready. 202-329-3948

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Subject: WOTUS Step 0

Embargoed until noon tomorrow (or potentially sooner but I'll let you know).

From: EPA Press Office [mailto:press=epa.gov@cmail20.com] On Behalf Of EPA Press Office

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 30, 2018 6:24 PM **To:** Block, Molly <<u>block.molly@epa.gov</u>>

Subject: EPA and Army Finalize "Waters of the United States" Applicability Date - Preview

## EPA and Army Finalize "Waters of the United States" Applicability Date

**WASHINGTON** (January 31, 2018) - Today, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and U.S. Department of the Army (Army) have finalized a rule adding an applicability date to the 2015 Clean Water Rule (the 2015 Rule). This rule provides clarity and certainty about which definition of "waters of the United States" is applicable nationwide in response to judicial actions that could result in confusion. The new applicability date will be two years after today's action is published in the Federal Register, during which time both agencies will continue the process of reconsidering the 2015 Rule.

"Today's action completes the next step in our plan to provide certainty for our nation's farmers and ranchers," **said EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt**. "In this day and age, it is critical to provide our state, local and tribal partners with clarity regarding federal jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act. I look forward to continuing our meaningful

engagement and dialogue as we work to reconsider the definition of the 'waters of the United States' so that Americans receive the clarity they deserve."

"We are committed to transparency as we execute the Clean Water Act Section 404 regulatory program. The Army and EPA proposed this rule to provide the regulated public clarity and predictability during the rule making process," said Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works) Ryan Fisher.

The 2015 Rule, which redefined the scope of where the Clean Water Act applies, had an effective date of August 28, 2015. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit's nationwide stay halted implementation of the 2015 Rule. But last week the Supreme Court determined that the U.S. Courts of Appeals do not have original jurisdiction to review these challenges and, therefore, the Sixth Circuit lacked authority to issue a stay. Given uncertainty about litigation in multiple district courts over the 2015 Rule, this action provides much needed certainty and clarity to the regulated community during the ongoing regulatory process.

Today's final rule is separate from the two-step process the agencies are currently taking to reconsider the 2015 Rule. The public comment period for the Step 1 rule proposing to rescind the 2015 Rule closed in September 2017, and those comments are currently under review by the agencies. EPA and the Army are also in the process of reviewing input from state, local, and tribal governments and other stakeholders as they work to develop a proposed Step 2 rule that would revise the definition of "waters of the United States."

#### Background

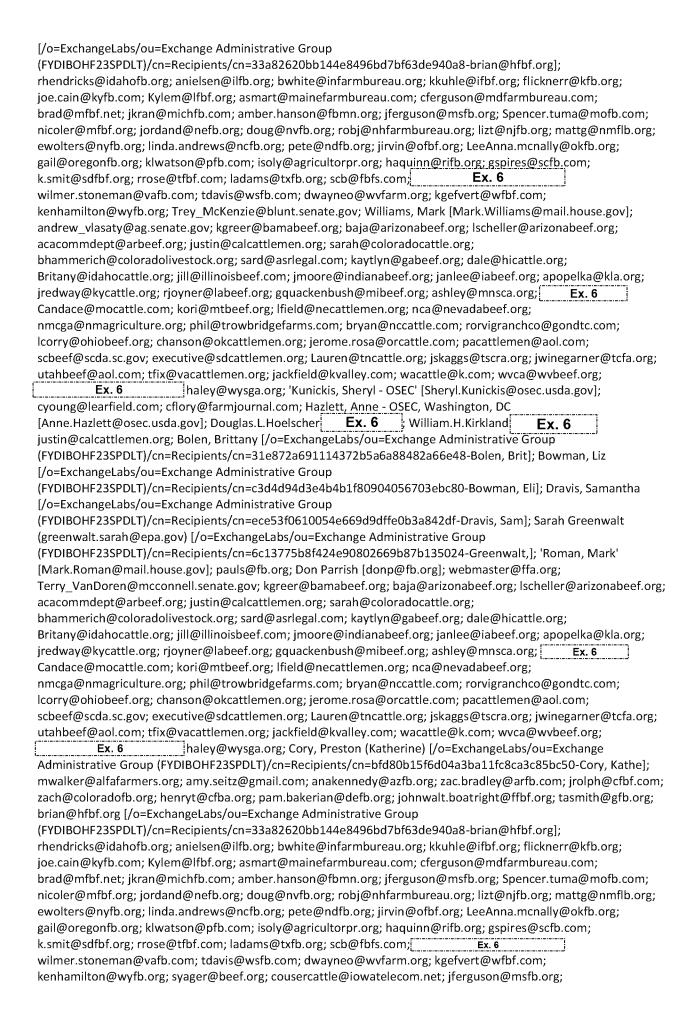
On February 28, 2017, President Trump issued Executive Order (EO) 13778, "Restoring the Rule of Law, Federalism, and Economic Growth by Reviewing the 'Waters of the United States' Rule." As EO 13778 stated, it is in the national interest to ensure that the nation's navigable waters are kept free from pollution, while simultaneously promoting economic growth, minimizing regulatory uncertainty, and respecting the roles of both Congress and States under the Constitution.

Additional information on this final rule: www.epa.gov/wotus-rule

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Subject: EPA fact sheets hazardous substances from animal waste

Attachments: CERCLA EPCRA Factsheet FINAL.PDF; CERCLA EPCRA Factsheet FINAL (SPANISH).pdf

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Due to a recent court decision, farms (including ranches, livestock operations and/or animal operations) will soon be required to report hazardous substance air releases from animal waste under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) when they release hazardous substances from animal waste in amounts greater than/equal to their reportable quantity within a 24-hour period. The purpose of these fact sheets and FAQs is to provide an overview and basic information for those who are impacted by this new requirement.

If you have any questions, please contact the Environmental Protection Agency via the information provided below:

- Visit <u>www.epa.gov/animalwaste</u> for guidance and access to the continuous release reporting forms
- Email comments or suggestions on guidance materials to: <u>CERCLA103.guidance@epa.gov</u>
- Regional Contacts: www.epa.gov/epcra/cr-erns-regional-contacts
- Call with questions: 1-800-424-9346

As always, our office is happy to be a resource as well.

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# Requisitos de reportes para emisiones al aire de sustancias peligrosas provenientes de desechos animales en las granjas conforme a CERCLA y EPCRA

Generalidades

Hay dos leyes ambientales, la Ley de Responsabilidad, Compensación y Respuesta Ambiental Comprensiva (CERCLA, por sus siglas en inglés) y la Ley de Planificación para Emergencias y Derecho a Saber de la Comunidad (EPCRA, por sus siglas en inglés) que exigen reportar emisiones de una sustancia peligrosa que exceda una cantidad reportable en un periodo de 24 horas. El propósito de la notificación es para que los funcionarios federales, estatales y locales evalúen la necesidad de una respuesta de emergencia a fin de mitigar los efectos de la emisión a la comunidad.

Debido a una decisión judicial reciente, pronto se les exigirá a algunas granjas (incluidos ranchos, operaciones ganaderas y/u operaciones animales) reportar las emisiones al aire de sustancias peligrosas provenientes de desechos animales según CERCLA.

#### ¿Por qué debo reportar?

Anteriormente, la EPA eximía a las granjas de reportar emisiones al aire de sustancias peligrosas provenientes de desechos animales según CERCLA, y solo las operaciones concentradas de gran envergadura para alimentar animales (CAFO, por sus siglas en inglés) estaban sujetas a reportes conforme a EPCRA, que es una ley separada pero relacionada. Hubo grupos de ciudadanos que objetaron la validez de la regla de la EPA, y la Corte de Apelaciones de los EE. UU. correspondiente al Circuito DC anuló dicha regla de la EPA el 11 de abril de 2017. Por lo

A causa de la decisión judicial, se exigirá a las granjas con operaciones animales que emiten ciertas cantidades de sustancias peligrosas que reporten estas emisiones al aire incluso a partir del 22 de enero de 2018.

tanto, va no es aplicable la exención reglamentaria de la EPA.

#### ¿Cuándo tengo que reportar?

Se espera que se emita la orden judicial el 22 de enero de 2018. Las granjas no deben reportar hasta que se emita la orden judicial.

#### ¿Debo presentar un informe de CERCLA?

Se exige reportar cuando las emisiones de sustancias peligrosas (como amoníaco o sulfuro de hidrógeno) provenientes de desechos animales alcancen o excedan sus cantidades reportables dentro de un periodo de 24 horas. Para ver una lista completa de sustancias peligrosas conforme a CERCLA, consulte el enlace de Recursos en inglés en:

www.epa.gov/animalwaste.

#### ¿Qué sustancias se deben reportar?

El amoníaco (NH<sub>3</sub>) y el sulfuro de hidrógeno (H<sub>2</sub>S) son sustancias peligrosas comunes emitidas por los desechos animales que se exige reportar si se emiten al aire en cantidades que superen o igualen la cantidad reportable de 100 lbs dentro de un periodo de 24 horas. Si una granja emite cualquier otra sustancia peligrosa sobre sus cantidades reportables designadas dentro de un periodo de 24 horas, deben reportarse aquellas también.

#### ¿Cómo estimo las emisiones?

#### ¿Por qué no puede la EPA decirme cuántos animales se requiere reportar?

La EPA reconoce que será dificil para los agricultores estimar las emisiones porque no hay una metodología generalmente aceptada para estimar estas emisiones en este momento.

Hay muchos factores que influyen en las emisiones:

- ubicación geográfica;
- · condiciones ambientales;
- prácticas administrativas (por ej, forraje, guano);
- características de los animales (por ej. número, especie, etapa de vida);
- condiciones operativas; y
- prácticas generales de gestión.

Debido a las interacciones complejas de estos factores, no pueden estandarizarse las emisiones basándose exclusivamente en el número y tipo de animales que haya en cada operación animal. Por ejemplo, hay muchas situaciones donde las operaciones con menos animales tienen mayores emisiones que las operaciones con mayor número de la misma especie animal.

La EPA está trabajando para desarrollar metodologías destinadas a estimar las emisiones de una amplia variedad de operaciones para así informar mejor sobre estimar emisiones provenientes de desechos animales. Sin embargo, no se terminará dicha labor antes del mandato judicial para que los agricultores reporten.

#### Enero 2018

Para asistir a los agricultores con los requisitos de reportar, la EPA ha puesto recursos a disposición en su sitio web que pueden ser útiles para estimar las emisiones. También puede usar otros modelos para estimar emisiones o puede estimar cantidades de emisiones basándose en:

- Datos anteriores de emisiones:
- Estimados de ingeniería;
- Su conocimiento de las operaciones de la instalación y el historial de emisiones; o
- Su óptimo criterio profesional.

Se exige a los propietarios y operadores de instalaciones reportar solo un estimado; no se requieren datos de monitoreo. Además, no se exige a los agricultores reducir las emisiones. Los agricultores deben conservar una copia de los cálculos para referencia futura. Para obtener más información, vea el enlace de Recursos en:

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#### ¿Cómo reporto según CERCLA?

Para cumplir con los requisitos de reportes de CERCLA en cuanto a emisiones al aire de sustancias peligrosas provenientes de desechos animales, en vez de reportar todos los días, las granjas pueden seguir un proceso simplificado de reportes que se conoce como "reportes de emisiones continuas". Esto exige que el propietario u operador de la instalación siga los pasos descritos en la columna a la derecha.

¿Con qué frecuencia debo estimar las emisiones? Si usted usa el proceso de reportes de emisiones continuas, debe revisar las emisiones de la grande una vez al año. También deberá estimar las emisiones después de que haya cambios considerables en las operaciones que puedan causar aumentos estadísticamente significativos en las emisiones.

#### ¿Debo presentar un informe según EPCRA?

La EPA interpreta la ley como que excluye a las granjas que usan sustancias en "operaciones agrícolas de rutina" de los reportes según la sección 304 de la EPCRA. Esto abarca operaciones de rutina en las granjas, operaciones de alimentación de animales, criaderos de plantas, otras operaciones de horticultura y acuicultura. Para obtener más información, vea: <a href="www.epa.gov/epcra/question-and-answer-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal">www.epa.gov/epcra/question-and-answer-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal</a>.

#### ¿Deben cumplir las granjas que tienen animales mantenidos principalmente fuera de una estructura cerrada y pastando en pastizales, con reportar emisiones de sustancias peligrosas provenientes de desechos animales conforme a CERCLA?

## Proceso de reportes de emisiones continuas según CERCLA

Paso 1: Proporcione al Centro Nacional de Respuesta (National Response Center, NRC, por sus siglas en inglés) una notificación inicial de emisiones continuas por correo electrónico (farms@uscg.mil) o por teléfono (1-800-424-8802). Un propietario u operador puede enviar una notificación por correo electrónico abarcando múltiples granjas.

Su mensaje de correo electrónico debe identificar que esta es una notificación inicial de emisiones continuas e incluir:

- Nombre de la granja
- Ubicación de la granja (por ej., nombre de la ciudad/pueblo y estado)
- Nombre(s) de la(s) sustancia(s) peligrosa(s) emitida (s) (amoníaco y/o sulfuro de hidrógeno)

Nota: El NRC no exige información personalmente identificable, como la dirección de una residencia privada. Una ubicación genérica (nombre de la ciudad/pueblo y estado) puede ser suficiente.

Recibirá un mensaje de correo electrónico del NRC con un solo número de identificación (CR-ERNS) para su(s) granja(s). Incluya el número de CR-ERNS en el informe de seguimiento mencionado en el Paso 2.

Paso 2: Dentro de un plazo de 30 días de la notificación al NRC, presente una notificación inicial por escrito a la Oficina Regional de la EPA correspondiente al área donde ocurre la emisión (vea www.epa.gov/epcra/cr-erns-regional-contacts). Use el Formulario de reportes de emisiones continuas.

Paso 3: Presente una sola vez un informe de seguimiento en el primer aniversario a la Oficina Regional de la EPA.

Sí, en caso de que la instalación tenga emisiones sobre la cantidad reportable. La EPA considera toda propiedad contigua con propietario común como instalación única para fines de reportar. Con el objeto de determinar si tiene una emisión reportable, una persona debe identificar todas las fuentes de emisiones de sustancias peligrosas, identificar las cantidades

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que se emiten de cada fuente y sumar las cantidades emitidas de la instalación. Al hacer esta determinación, las granjas deben incluir todas las emisiones de la instalación, incluso emisiones de desechos animales provenientes de animales que se mantienen principalmente fuera de una estructura cerrada.

#### Recursos adicionales

- Envíe por correo electrónico comentarios o sugerencias sobre materiales de orientación a: CERCLA103.guidance@epa.gov
- Contactos regionales: www.epa.gov/epcra/cr-erns-regional-contacts
- Formularios de reportes de emisiones continuas: www.epa.gov/animalwaste
- Centro Nacional de Respuesta: 800-424-8802 o farms@uscg.mil

#### ¿Tiene alguna pregunta?

- Vea la orientación de CERCLA y EPCRA para obtener más información en inglés: www.epa.gov/animalwaste
- Llame al Centro de Información sobre EPCRA, RMP y Petróleo al: 1-800-424-9346

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## CERCLA and EPCRA Reporting Requirements for Air Releases of Hazardous Substances from Animal Waste at Farms

#### Overview

Two environmental laws, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) and Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA), require reporting releases of a hazardous substance that exceeds a reportable quantity within a 24-hour period. The purpose of the notification is for federal, state, and local officials to evaluate the need for an emergency response to mitigate the effects of the release to the community.

Due to a recent court decision, some farms (including ranches, livestock operations and/or animal operations) will soon be required to report hazardous substance air releases from animal waste under CERCLA.

#### Why do I need to report?

Previously, EPA exempted farms from reporting hazardous substance air releases from animal waste under CERCLA, and only large concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs) were subject to EPCRA reporting, which is a separate but related law.

Citizen groups challenged the validity of EPA's rule, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the DC Circuit struck down EPA's rule on April 11, 2017. Therefore, EPA's regulatory exemption no longer applies.

As a result of the Court decision, farms with animal operations that release certain amounts of hazardous substances will be required to report these air emissions as early as January 22, 2018.

#### When do I need to report?

The Court is expected to issue its order on January 22, 2018. Farms do not have to report until the Court issues its mandate.

#### Do I need to submit a CERCLA report?

Reporting is required when releases of hazardous substances (like ammonia or hydrogen sulfide) from animal waste meet or exceed their reportable quantities within a 24-hour period. For a complete list of CERCLA hazardous substances, please see the Resources link at: www.epa.gov/animalwaste.

#### What substances need to be reported?

Ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>) and hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) are common hazardous substances emitted from animal waste that require reporting if released to the air in amounts greater than or equal to their reportable quantity of 100 lbs within a 24-hour period. If a farm releases any other hazardous substances above their designated reportable quantities within a 24-hour period, those need to be reported as well.

#### How do I estimate releases?

To help you comply with the reporting requirements, EPA has made resources available on its website that may be helpful in estimating emissions. You may also use other models for estimating emissions or you may estimate quantities of releases by relying on:

- Past release data;
- Engineering estimates:
- Your knowledge of the facility's operations and release history; or
- Your best professional judgment.

## Why Can't EPA Tell Me How Many Animals Require Reporting?

EPA recognizes it will be challenging for farmers to estimate releases because there is no generally accepted methodology for estimating these emissions at this time.

Many factors influence emissions:

- geographic location;
- environmental conditions;
- management practices (e.g. feed, manure);
- animal characteristics (e.g. number, species, life stage);
- · operating conditions; and
- general management practices.

Due to the complex interactions of these factors, emissions cannot be standardized based solely on the number and type of animals at each animal operation. For example, there are many scenarios when operations with fewer animals will have higher emissions than operations with greater numbers of the same species of animals.

EPA is working on developing methodologies to estimate emissions from a wide variety of operations and thus better inform emission estimates from animal waste. However, that work will not be completed prior to the Court's mandate that farms report.

Facility owners and operators are required to report an estimate only-monitoring data is not required. Additionally, farmers are not required to reduce emissions. Farmers should keep a copy of the calculation for future reference. For more information, please see the Resources link at: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/animalwaste">www.epa.gov/animalwaste</a>.

#### How do I report for CERCLA?

To comply with CERCLA reporting requirements for air releases of hazardous substances from animal waste, instead of reporting every day, farms may follow a streamlined reporting process known as "continuous release reporting." This requires the facility owner or operator to follow the steps outlined in the column to the right.

#### How often do I need to estimate emissions?

If you use the continuous release reporting process, you need to review emissions from the farm once a year. You'll also need to estimate emissions following any significant changes in operations that may result in statistically significant increases in emissions.

#### Do I need to submit an EPCRA report?

EPA interprets the statute to exclude farms that use substances in "routine agricultural operations" from reporting under EPCRA section 304. This encompasses routine operations at farms, animal feeding operations, nurseries, other horticultural operations, and aquaculture. For more information, see: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/epcra/question-and-answer-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal">www.epa.gov/epcra/question-and-answer-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal</a>.

# Do farms that have animals that reside primarily outside of an enclosed structure and graze on pastures, need to comply with reporting releases of hazardous substances from animal wastes under CERCLA?

Yes, if the facility has releases above the reportable quantity. EPA considers all contiguous property under common ownership to be a single facility for reporting purposes. For purposes of determining whether you have a reportable release, a person must identify all of the sources of hazardous substances releases, identify the quantities that are emitted from each source, and add up the quantities released for the facility. In making this determination, farms should include all releases from the facility, including releases from animal waste due to animals that reside primarily outside of an enclosed structure.

#### Additional Resources

- Email comments or suggestions on guidance materials to: <u>CERCLA103.guidance@epa.gov</u>
- Regional Contacts: www.epa.gov/epcra/cr-erns-regional-contacts
- Continuous Release Reporting Forms: www.epa.gov/animalwaste
- National Response Center: 800-424-8802 or farms@uscg.mil

#### **Questions?**

- See the CERCLA and EPCRA guidance for more information: www.epa.gov/animalwaste
- Call the EPCRA, RMP & Oil Information Center at: 1-800-424-9346

#### CERCLA Continuous Release Reporting Process

Step 1: Provide the National Response Center (NRC) with an initial continuous release notification by email (farms@uscg.mil) or by phone (1-800-424-8802). An owner or operator can send one email notification for multiple farms.

Your email should identify that this is an initial continuous release notification and include:

- Name of the farm
- Location of the farm (e.g., name of city/town and state)
- Name(s) of the hazardous substance(s) released (ammonia and/or hydrogen sulfide)

**Note:** The NRC does not require personally identifiable information, such as an address for a private residence. A generic location (name of city/town and state) may be sufficient.

You will receive an email from the NRC with a single identification number (CR-ERNS) for your farms(s). Include the CR-ERNS number on the follow-up report discussed in Step 2.

Step 2: Within 30 days of the NRC notification, submit an initial written notification to the EPA Regional Office for the area where the release occurs (see <a href="https://www.epa.gov/epcra/cr-erms-regional-contacts">www.epa.gov/epcra/cr-erms-regional-contacts</a>). Use the Continuous Release Reporting Form.

**Step 3:** Submit a one-time first anniversary follow-up report to the EPA Regional Office.

If there are significant changes at your operation that could result in a change in emissions, additional reporting may be necessary.

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**WASHINGTON** — U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Scott Pruitt praised the U.S. Senate's action to confirm Matt Leopold to serve as general counsel for the for EPA.

"Matt Leopold has tremendous experience in environmental litigation and is committed to the rule of law," **said Administrator Scott Pruitt**. "I want to thank Leader McConnell and Chairman Barrasso for their assistance in ensuring Mr. Leopold's confirmation, and I look forward to working with Matt to maintain the integrity and lawfulness of the Agency."

On October 25, 2017, the U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works, led by U.S. Senator John Barrasso (R-WY), advanced Matt Leopold's nomination out of committee.

If you would rather not receive future communications from US EPA, Office of Public Engagement, let us know by clicking <a href="here.">here.</a> US EPA, Office of Public Engagement, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20460 United States

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To: Bill Hammerich [bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org]

**CC**: Gordon, Stephen [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group

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Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

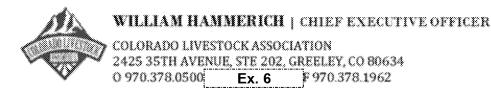
Well I'd hope you work us into your plans! I'll be on maternity leave but Stephen, the deputy in our office, will take great care of you.

From: Bill Hammerich [mailto:bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org]

**Sent:** Tuesday, November 21, 2017 2:44 PM **To:** Bennett, Tate < Bennett. Tate@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

I will be there in April.



From: Bennett, Tate [mailto:Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, November 21, 2017 12:43 PM

To: Bill Hammerich < bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org >

Subject: Re: Frasier Ranch visit

You too! Come see us in dc

On Nov 21, 2017, at 2:42 PM, Bill Hammerich < bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org > wrote:

Happy Thanksgiving!

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From: Bennett, Tate [mailto:Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, November 21, 2017 12:40 PM

To: Bill Hammerich <br/>
<br/>bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org>

Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

Found it! Nevermind!

From: Bill Hammerich [mailto:bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org]

**Sent:** Friday, July 28, 2017 12:53 PM

To: Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

Tate, good morning from Colorado.

I am available for a phone call until 1:30 today MDT.

Thanx,

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From: Bennett, Tate [mailto:Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]

**Sent:** Friday, July 28, 2017 4:52 AM

To: Bill Hammerich < bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org >

Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

Hey there! I'll give you a shout this morning if that's ok? Sorry for the delay- I've been on the road all week.

From: Bill Hammerich [mailto:bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org]

Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2017 6:39 PM

To: Bennett, Tate < Bennett. Tate@epa.gov>; Scott Yager < syager@beef.org>

Cc: frasier@kci.net

Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

Bill Hammerich

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From: Bennett, Tate [mailto:Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]

**Sent:** Thursday, July 27, 2017 4:37 PM **To:** Scott Yager <a href="mailto:syager@beef.org">syager@beef.org</a>>

Cc: frasier@kci.net; Bill Hammerich <br/> <br/>bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org>

Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

Having some issues with my work phone. Could you all send me your phone numbers? Happy to touch base this evening.

From: Scott Yager [mailto:syager@beef.org]

**Sent:** Thursday, July 27, 2017 5:56 PM **To:** Bennett, Tate < Bennett, Tate@epa.gov>

Cc: Mark Frasier frasier@kci.net>; Bill Hammerich bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org>

Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

We've got the commissioner of ag, as well as county commissioners change their schedules to be there Aug  $2^{nd}$ . 25 ranchers, farmers, and friends of agriculture have committed to be there for the event. Ship has left the port. Need you to push to make this happen Aug  $2^{nd}$ .

From: Bennett, Tate [mailto:Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]

**Sent:** Thursday, July 27, 2017 5:41 PM **To:** Scott Yager <a href="mailto:syager@beef.org">syager@beef.org</a>>

Cc: Mark Frasier <frasier@kci.net>; Bill Hammerich <br/> <br/>bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org>

Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

Guys- we are on GO (if still possible) but would it be possible to do the afternoon of the 3<sup>rd</sup>?

From: Scott Yager [mailto:syager@beef.org]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 11:33 AM
To: Bennett, Tate < Bennett. Tate@epa.gov>

Cc: Mark Frasier frasier@kci.net>; Bill Hammerich cbammerich@coloradolivestock.org>

Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

Tate, please disregard the last email and attachment. I'm attaching the updated version here and pasting below. -Scott

#### Overview:

Date: Wednesday, August 2, 2017 Time of arrival: 10:00am Mountain time

**Venue**: Frasier Ranch - cow/calf and stocker operation **Street Address**: 5727 Hwy 71, Woodrow, CO, 80757

Owner: Mark Frasier

Audience: 20-30 attendees (estimated)

- Agricultural stakeholders ranchers, feedlot operators, dairies, farmers
- Members of Congress and/or staff
- County Commissioners

**Background**: He had EPA visit his ranch in 2015 during the WOTUS rollout when they promised it wouldn't impact agriculture and we know how that turned out. It will be great for the Administrator to do a repeat here except he's actually providing relief to Rural America.

#### Timeline:

10:00am: Introductions and gather at the hay barn

10:15am: Conversation between EPA and ag stakeholders

11:00pm: Tour of Frasier Ranch -

- Stock ponds
- Grazing cattle
- Stocker cattle

12:00pm: Lunch back at the homestead (table at the barn with cold cut sandwiches, chips, drinks)

1:00pm: Goodbyes and departure

Dress code: Dress for outdoor ranch tour – Jeans, boots, button-down shirt

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Tate,

Attached is the draft line-by-line for the Administrator's visit to Frasier Ranch on August 2. Let me know if you need anything else. I'm also pasting it below, for your convenience.

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#### U.S. Senate Confirms David Ross to Lead EPA Water Office

**WASHINGTON** – The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Scott Pruitt praised the U.S. Senate's action to confirm David Ross to serve as the assistant administrator for EPA's Office of Water.

"David Ross has a record of holding polluters accountable and navigating through complex environmental law on behalf of the state of Wisconsin," said Administrator Scott Pruitt. "His expertise will be vital to the Agency as we look to keep our water clean and provide regulatory certainty for the stakeholder community. I want to thank Leader McConnell and Chairman Barrasso for moving Mr. Ross through the confirmation process, and I look forward to the numerous contributions David will bring to the Agency's water office."

On October 25, 2017, the U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works, led by U.S. Senator John Barrasso (R-WY), advanced David Ross's nomination out of committee.



#### Message

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To: Bill Hammerich [bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org]

Subject: RE: Attendee list

Hey Bill! Hope this finds you well. Do you by chance have Mark Frasier's email?

From: Bill Hammerich [mailto:bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org]

**Sent:** Monday, July 31, 2017 12:08 PM **To:** Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>

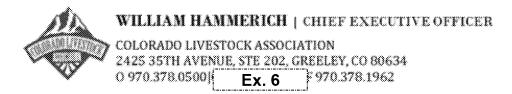
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Subject: RE: Attendee list

Tate here is the list as of this morning.

- (1) Don Brown > Colorado Commissioner of Agriculture
- (1) Laura Teague > County Commissioner Morgan County
- (5) Mark Frasier > Frasier Farms
- (1) Tom McDonald Feeder
- (1) Justin Miller Feeder
- (1) Jon Slutsky Dairy
- (1) Glenn Benjamin Rancher
- (1) Jessica Lemmel > Colorado Livestock Association
- (1) Chris Kraft Dairy
- (3) Terry Fankhauser > Colorado Cattlemen's Association
- (5) Chad Vorthman > Colorado Farm Bureau
- (3) Mark Sponsler > Colorado Corn Growers
- (1) Andrew Mertens > Farmer
- (1) Joyce Kelly > Colorado Pork Producers
- (1) Randy Traxler > Colorado Wheat Growers
- (1) Ed Frank > National Cattlemen's Beef Association

I am still waiting on confirmation from 5 other stakeholders



From: Bennett, Tate [mailto:Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]

Sent: Monday, July 31, 2017 9:05 AM

To: Bill Hammerich <br/> <br/> bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org>

Subject: Attendee list

Hey Bill! Any chance we can get an attendee list for the Frasier Ranch meeting?



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EPA and the Army Propose to Amend the Effective Date of the 2015 Rule Defining "Waters of the United States"

**WASHINGTON** – The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and U.S. Department of the Army (the agencies) are proposing to amend the effective date of the 2015 rule defining "waters of the United States." The agencies are proposing that the 2015 rule would not go into effect until two years after today's action is finalized and published in the Federal Register. This amendment would give the agencies the time needed to reconsider the definition of "waters of the United States."

"Today's proposal shows our commitment to our state and tribal partners and to providing regulatory certainty to our nation's farmers, ranchers and businesses," said EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt. "This step will allow us to minimize confusion as we continue to receive input from across the country on how we should revise the definition of the 'waters of the United States."

The 2015 rule, which redefined the scope of where the Clean Water Act applies, had an effective date of August 28, 2015. Implementation of the 2015 rule is currently on hold as a result of the Sixth Circuit's nationwide stay of the rule, but that stay may be affected by a pending Supreme Court case. The 2015 rule is also stayed in 13 states due to a North Dakota district court ruling. EPA and the Army are taking this action to provide certainty and consistency to the regulated community.

"The Army, together with the Army Corps of Engineers, propose this rule with EPA to help continue to provide clarity and predictability to the regulated public during the rule making process. We are committed to implementing the Clean Water Act Section 404 regulatory program as transparently as possible for the regulated public," said Mr. Ryan Fisher, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works).

This action follows the February 28, 2017, Presidential Executive Order on "Restoring the Rule of Law, Federalism, and Economic Growth by Reviewing the 'Waters of the United States' Rule." The February Order states that it is in the national interest to ensure that the Nation's navigable waters are kept free from pollution, while at the same time promoting economic growth, minimizing regulatory uncertainty, and showing due regard for the roles of Congress and the States under the Constitution.

The agencies' proposal is separate from the two-step process the agencies propose to take to reconsider the 2015 rule. The comment period for the Step 1 rule closed in September and the agencies are currently working to review the comments received from the public. The agencies are also in the process of holding listening sessions with stakeholders as we work to develop a proposed Step 2 rule that would revise the definition of "waters of the United States."

The agencies will be collecting public comment on this proposal for 21 days after publication in the Federal Register and plan to move quickly to take final action in early 2018.

Additional information on this proposal and how to comment: www.epa.gov/wotus-rule

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Below is the latest from EPA. In sum, EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt yesterday was on the ground in Texas assessing existing and potential environmental damage caused by Harvey, has approved additional emergency fuel waivers, has deployed staff on the ground near a chemical facility and finally has issued a joint statement with Texas DEQ. Let me know if you have any questions.

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# EPA Approves Emergency Fuel Waivers for 38 States and Washington, D.C.

WASHINGTON (August 31, 2017) — As a result of the continuing impacts on Gulf Coast-area refineries and disruption to the fuel distribution system caused by Hurricane Harvey, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Scott Pruitt today exercised EPA's emergency fuel waiver authority to help ensure an adequate supply of fuel throughout the country.

EPA has waived requirements for reformulated gasoline and low volatility conventional gasoline through September 15 in the following states and the District of Columbia: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Wisconsin, Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico, and Texas. Today's waiver supersedes and expands the areas covered by the waiver issued on August 30. The sale of gasoline containing up to 15 percent ethanol (E15) must continue to comply with federal rules, which are designed to minimize the potential for E15 being used in vehicles that are not designed to use this fuel.

The waiver authority was exercised under the Clean Air Act and was granted by EPA Administrator Pruitt, in coordination with the U.S. Secretary of Energy Rick Perry.

As required by law, EPA and the Department of Energy (DOE) evaluated the situation and determined that granting a short-term waiver was consistent with the public interest. EPA and DOE are continuing to actively monitor the fuel supply situation as a result of Hurricane Harvey, and will act expeditiously if extreme and unusual supply circumstances exist in other areas.

To mitigate any impacts on air quality, the Clean Air Act provides strict criteria for when fuels waivers may be granted, and requires that waivers be limited as much as possible in terms of their geographic scope and duration.



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# EPA Statement on Reported Explosion at Chemical Plant in Crosby, Texas

**WASHINGTON** (August 31, 2017) - U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Scott Pruitt released the following statement on the report of an explosion at an Arkema facility in Crosby, Texas that occurred in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey:

"EPA's focus is on the safety of those around the facility and we urge those in the area to follow the safety instructions of local authorities. EPA is providing assistance and resources to the first responders in Harris County and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

"EPA has emergency response personnel on the scene and the Agency is currently reviewing data received from an aircraft that surveyed the scene early this morning. This information indicates that there are no concentrations of concern for toxic materials reported at this time.

"We will consider using any authority we have to further address the situation to protect human health and the environment."

#### Additional Background:

At approximately 2:45 a.m. CT this morning the National Response Center received a report from Arkema concerning a reported explosion at their facility in Crosby, Texas.

As described in the National Contingency Plan (a federal fegulation under the CERCLA statute), EPA is required to prepare for and respond to any release or threat of release of oil, hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants into the environment that may present an imminent and substantial threat to public health or welfare and the environment.

As a result, EPA has deployed an ASPECT aircraft to secure chemical information from the smoke cloud and EPA's federal on-scene coordinator will arrive shortly to ensure all federal resources are available to first responders. EPA is also sending additional air monitoring personnel and equipment to augment the current efforts of the state and local first responders, and monitoring teams from Houston will arrive on-scene in the next few hours.

EPA provides the Co-Chair of the Region 6 standing Regional Response Team, a group federal agencies that support a response, and provides pre-designated On-Scene Coordinators for the inland zone. The Coast Guard is the other Co-Chair. EPA is responsible for providing expertise regarding ecological and environmental effects of pollution releases and environmental pollution control techniques

There is a 1.5-mile radius exclusion area around the explosion site and EPA personnel are getting as close to the scene as possible. Currently, a zone has been set by the local fire marshal to protect the area from potential additional explosions.





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# EPA/TCEQ Statement on Water Quality of Flood-Imacted Areas from Hurricane Harvey

**WASHINGTON** (August 31, 2017) — The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) release the following statement today, in regards to the water quality of flood-impacted areas from Hurricane Harvey.

"EPA and TCEQ are aware that releases of wastewater from sanitary sewers occur during major flood events. The Agencies actively work to monitor those facilities that have reported spills, as well as conducting outreach and providing technical guidance to all other wastewater facilities in flood-impacted areas.

"Floodwaters may contain many hazards, including bacteria and other disease agents. Precautions should be taken by anyone involved in cleanup activities or any others who may be exposed to flood waters. These precautions include heeding all warnings from local and state authorities regarding boil water notices, swimming advisories, or other safety advisories. In addition to the drowning hazards of wading, swimming, or driving in swift floodwaters, these waters can carry large objects that are not always readily visible that can cause injuries to those in the water. Other potential hazards include downed power lines and possible injuries

inflicted by animals displaced by the floodwaters.

"Federal and state mobile command is currently about 200 people, who are working elbow-to-elbow, starting in Corpus Christi and moving east with primary responsibility of the health and safety of those affected by Hurricane Harvey. As we continue to respond to this natural disaster and its devastating effects on the people of Texas, the biggest threat to public health at this time is ensuring they have access to safe drinking water and ensuring waste water systems are being monitored, tested for safety and managed appropriately."







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## Regions 2 and 4 Taking Precautions, Activating Emergency Response Teams

WASHINGTON - EPA's organized, emergency response program is preparing for Hurricane Irma, while continuing response efforts around the devastating flooding effects of Hurricane Harvey. Irma, expected to hit Southern Florida, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, is expected to be a fast-moving storm, with dangerous winds that could cause widespread power outages and damage to property across multiple states and territories of the U.S. While Harvey has been unique in its extreme flooding, Irma's high winds could result in downed powerlines, complicating the ability to pump water through drinking and waste water systems, especially in Puerto Rico.

"After seeing the expert preparedness and ongoing response efforts of our team in Region 6, I am confident that Region 4 and Region 2 can replicate their efforts, as we work together to provide the needed support to local, state and federal agencies around Hurricane Irma," said EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt.

EPA headquarters emergency operations center, EPA Region 2 and EPA Region 4 are monitoring the storm closely and making preparations to activate in order to support the U.S. Coast Guard, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and state environmental agencies, to quickly provide support to people affected by the storm.

EPA's Regional office in Atlanta is taking precautions, including: reviewing inventory of, and understanding all sites of interest, in particular Superfund sites in Southern Florida. Initial assessment has approximately 22 current or former National Priorities List (NPL) sites within Florida's southernmost 100 miles. Region 4 is taking necessary actions to shore up these sites appropriately, work with parties responsible for their ongoing cleanups, and ensure that staff in the area are safe.

The Region is also reviewing information about drinking and waste water systems in the potentially affected areas, so that personnel in the field can be best prepared to quickly respond, post storm. EPA staff have been deployed to FEMA's Regional Response Coordination Center, as well as the State of Florida Emergency Operations Center. Region 4 also has additional staff standing by, ready to support state and federal partners if called upon.

With regard to the Mississippi phosphates Superfund site, located in Pascagoula, Mississippi, EPA is taking necessary actions to ensure the treatment plant remains operational during the storm. EPA assumed oversight of the site in February.

"We have been reaching out to all our regional and state agency contacts and I have extreme confidence in our emergency response managers," said **EPA Regional Administrator of Region 4 Trey Glenn.** "As always we stand with our states and FEMA, ready to identify at-risk locations prior to the hurricane, and will be ready to assess

damage quickly after landfall." Region 4 serves: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and six Tribes.

EPA has identified and conducted initial assessments at approximately 23 Superfund and oil sites in Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands. In advance of Irma, Region 2 has reached out to all the responsible entities, whether they be our contractors for fund-lead projects or PRPs, for NPL sites, active removal actions and oil response actions, with regard to preparing for the storm. Region 2 serves: New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands and eight tribal nations.

"Our biggest health and environmental concerns in Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands are potential oil spills and the potential impacts of power disruptions on water supply systems," said **Acting Regional Administrator Catherine McCabe**. "Region 2 is working with managers of Superfund sites and other facilities that may contain oil or hazardous materials to ensure appropriate precautions have been taken to prevent spills. We are doing our best to prepare and support our citizens in Puerto Rico."

Region 2 is coordinating with other federal agencies, like FEMA and the U.S. Coast Guard, and local governments in the U.S. Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. EPA has staff set up at the regional response center in Edison, N.J. and the FEMA response center in Colts Neck, N.J. The Region is ready to deploy additional assets to the islands.

## As an Agency, EPA supports hurricane preparedness and response in a number of ways, including:

- \* Addressing Fuel Shortages: The Clean Air Act allows EPA Administrator Pruitt, in consultation with Energy Secretary Perry, to waive certain fuel requirements to address shortages that occur as a result of the storm. If Administrator Pruitt determines that extreme and unusual fuel supply circumstances exist in a state or region as a result of a hurricane, a temporary waiver can help ensure an adequate supply of gasoline is available in the affected area, particularly for emergency vehicles. EPA has an experienced team standing by to expedite handling of any fuel waiver requests by the states or commonwealth.
- Monitoring Public Water Systems: Water systems can be severely impacted during hurricanes due to storm surge, flooding, or loss of power from extreme winds. EPA has a tracking system to identify systems in the storm's pathway. Following the storm, and if the state requests federal assistance, EPA conducts damage assessments of both drinking water and wastewater systems to identify impacts to critical assets and assist in the recovery.
- Securing Superfund Sites: EPA assesses conditions at the NPL Superfund sites in the storm's pathway and tasks each Superfund National Priorities List (NPL) remedial site manager to assess conditions and make on-site preparations for high winds and potentially heavy rainfall. Following the storm and receding floodwaters, EPA conducts rapid assessments to identify damage at sites and initiate cleanup plans if necessary. Any on-site activities at sites located in the storm's path are ceased until

the all clear is given and on-site equipment is secured. In addition, freeboard for lagoons or ponds is increased to accommodate forecasted rainfall if possible. After a hurricane makes landfall and any flooding recedes, the EPA remedial managers will conduct assessments of each Superfund NPL site to ensure no damage has occurred.

\* Assessing Conditions at Major Industrial Facilities: EPA assesses conditions at the major industrial facilities in the storm's pathway to identify potential impacts and countermeasures. Following the storm and receding floodwaters, spills and releases are reported to the National Response Center. NRC notifies the U.S. Coast Guard or EPA based on preapproved jurisdiction boundaries. EPA conducts follow up inspections and damage assessments in response to reports within EPA jurisdiction.

EPA will continue to work with Regions 2, 4 and 6 to address these hurricanes and will continue to provide information to the public as quickly as possible.

As EPA prepares to support FEMA and its local and state partners, it continues to focus its message on the importance of public safety.

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ICYMI and feel free to pass this along to your members and colleagues in Texas and Georgia. Thank you. -Tate

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**Sent:** Tuesday, August 29, 2017 5:18 PM **To:** Bennett, Tate < Bennett. Tate@epa.gov>

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### EPA Approves Emergency Fuel Waivers for Texas and Georgia

WASHINGTON (August 29, 2017) — Following Hurricane Harvey's landfall, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Scott Pruitt has approved emergency fuel waiver requests from the Texas Comptroller

and the Georgia Environmental Protection Division.

EPA has waived the highway diesel fuel red dye requirements to allow the use of non-road diesel fuel for on-highway vehicles involved in emergency response and disaster recovery in Texas as a result of Hurricane Harvey, though September 15.

EPA has also waived the requirement for low volatility gasoline for 13 counties in the Atlanta Metro Area, as a result of the disruption in the supply to that area caused by Hurricane Harvey. The waiver will allow the higher volatility fuel to be sold in the Atlanta area through September 15.

The waiver authority was exercised under the Clean Air Act and was granted by EPA Administrator Pruitt, in coordination with the U.S. Secretary of Energy Rick Perry. The requests were made by Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar on behalf of Governor Greg Abbott and Georgia Environmental Protection Division Director Richard E. Dunn on behalf of Governor Nathan Deal.

As required by law, EPA and the Department of Energy (DOE) evaluated the situation and determined that granting a short-term waiver was consistent with the public interest. EPA and DOE are continuing to actively monitor the fuel supply situation as a result of Hurricane Harvey, and will act expeditiously if extreme and unusual supply circumstances exist in other areas.

To mitigate any impacts on air quality, the Clean Air Act provides strict criteria for when fuels waivers may be granted, and requires that waivers be limited as much as possible in terms of their geographic scope and duration.

More information: www.epa.gov/enforcement/fuel-waivers







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To: Bill Hammerich [bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org]

Subject: Re: Frasier Ranch visit

Great! Our security team should be reaching out to Mark soon if you want to let him know. They will want to do a walk through on Tuesday.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 29, 2017, at 8:51 PM, Bill Hammerich <a href="mailto:shape-mailto:bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org">shape-mailto:bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org</a> wrote:

Tate 2:00 works for everyone I have talked to.

Bill Hammerich Colorado Livestock Association

On Jul 29, 2017, at 12:33 PM, Bennett, Tate < Bennett. Tate@epa.gov> wrote:

Still good for 2 on the 3rd? Never heard back from Scott.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 28, 2017, at 12:54 PM, Bill Hammerich < <a href="mailto:bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org">bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org</a> wrote:

Tate, good morning from Colorado.

I am available for a phone call until 1:30 today MDT.

Thanx,

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From: Bennett, Tate [mailto:Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]

Sent: Friday, July 28, 2017 4:52 AM

To: Bill Hammerich < bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org >

Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

Hey there! I'll give you a shout this morning if that's ok? Sorry for the delay- I've been on the road all week.

From: Bill Hammerich [mailto:bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org]

**Sent:** Thursday, July 27, 2017 6:39 PM

To: Bennett, Tate < Bennett. Tate@epa.gov>; Scott Yager

<syager@beef.org>

Cc: frasier@kci.net

Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

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From: Bennett, Tate [mailto:Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]

Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2017 4:37 PM
To: Scott Yager <syager@beef.org>
Cc: frasier@kci.net; Bill Hammerich
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Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

Having some issues with my work phone. Could you all send me your phone numbers? Happy to touch base this evening.

From: Scott Yager [mailto:syager@beef.org]

**Sent:** Thursday, July 27, 2017 5:56 PM **To:** Bennett, Tate < Bennett. Tate@epa.gov>

Cc: Mark Frasier <frasier@kci.net>; Bill Hammerich

<bnamerich@coloradolivestock.org>

Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

We've got the commissioner of ag, as well as county commissioners change their schedules to be there Aug  $2^{nd}$ . 25 ranchers, farmers, and friends of agriculture have committed to be there for the event. Ship has left the port. Need you to push to make this happen Aug  $2^{nd}$ .

From: Bennett, Tate [mailto:Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]

**Sent:** Thursday, July 27, 2017 5:41 PM **To:** Scott Yager <a href="mailto:syager@beef.org">syager@beef.org</a>>

Cc: Mark Frasier <frasier@kci.net>; Bill Hammerich

<bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org>

Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

Guys- we are on GO (if still possible) but would it be possible to do the afternoon of the 3<sup>rd</sup>?

From: Scott Yager [mailto:syager@beef.org]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 11:33 AM
To: Bennett, Tate < Bennett. Tate@epa.gov>

**Cc:** Mark Frasier < frasier@kci.net>; Bill Hammerich

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Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

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### Overview:

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Time of arrival: 10:00am Mountain time

**Venue**: Frasier Ranch - cow/calf and stocker operation **Street Address**: 5727 Hwy 71, Woodrow, CO, 80757

Owner: Mark Frasier

Audience: 20-30 attendees (estimated)

- Agricultural stakeholders ranchers, feedlot operators, dairies, farmers
- Members of Congress and/or staff
- County Commissioners

**Background**: He had EPA visit his ranch in 2015 during the WOTUS rollout when they promised it wouldn't impact agriculture and we know how that turned out. It will be great for the Administrator to do a repeat here except he's actually providing relief to Rural America.

#### Timeline:

**10:00am**: Introductions and gather at the hay barn **10:15am**: Conversation between EPA and ag stakeholders

11:00pm: Tour of Frasier Ranch -

- Stock pondsGrazing cattle
- Stocker cattle

12:00pm: Lunch back at the homestead (table at the barn with cold cut

sandwiches, chips, drinks)

1:00pm: Goodbyes and departure

**Dress code**: Dress for outdoor ranch tour – Jeans, boots, button-down shirt

From: Scott Yager

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 26, 2017 10:52 AM **To:** 'Bennett, Tate' < <u>Bennett, Tate@epa.gov</u>> **Cc:** Mark Frasier < <u>frasier@kci.net</u>>; Bill Hammerich

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Subject: Frasier Ranch visit

Tate,

Attached is the draft line-by-line for the Administrator's visit to Frasier Ranch on August 2. Let me know if you need anything else. I'm also pasting it below, for your convenience.

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Good after	noon—
_	would pass along the below message from Administrator Pruitt to EPA staff regarding the state of Texas. We see to work with our state partners in all affected areas.
Best.	
Tate	
Associate A Office of the	Cate Bennett Administrator for Public Engagement ne Administrator commental Protection Agency

**From:** Message from the Administrator **Sent:** Monday, August 28, 2017 3:47 PM

To: Message from the Administrator < message from the administrator @epa.gov>

Subject: EPA's response to Harvey



As you know, Harvey continues to devastate the state of Texas. The storm is still very dangerous, and the people in affected areas are experiencing tornados and catastrophic flooding. Effects will continue for the foreseeable future.

It is a top priority of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and our federal partners to work together to support authorities in the state of Texas and to protect the life and safety of those in impacted areas.

As many of you know, EPA has an organized emergency response program for responding to man-made and natural disasters and is positioned to support FEMA, state, local, and tribal partners. Headquarters' Emergency Operations Center (EOC) has been activated, and we are already deploying assets to support emergency response and aftermath flooding. The National Incident Management Assistance Team, consisting of highly skilled response personnel from across the Agency, has been activated and will arrive in Dallas by tomorrow.

I have been in regular contact with Region 6 and want to commend the staff there, along with the many others across the Agency, who are part of this hurricane response effort for their leadership and preparation. As of now, we have several EPA employees who have been evacuated from their homes, some with water damage to their homes and vehicles. As you can imagine, this is very hard on our community, and I continue to keep those affected by the storm in my thoughts and prayers.

The Agency is supporting the response effort in several ways:

- We're developing surface water sampling plans to address public health concerns regarding possible contaminates found in storm water. We will begin field sampling of flood waters as soon as conditions allow.
- Our drinking water and waste water staff are ready to deploy to offer technical assistance necessary to
  restore services as quickly as possible. These teams will visit drinking water and waste water facilities to
  determine functionality and provide technical assistance as needed. At the request of the State of Texas,
  EPA is deploying personnel to assist the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's (TCEQ)
  Drinking Water and Waste Water Phone Bank located in Austin, Texas.
- Our Superfund Remedial Project Managers worked with site operators to secure the sites last week ahead of the storm. This week we will continue to work with site operators to get status updates, conduct rapid damage assessments, and determine if additional emergency cleanup activities are necessary.

- We will be working with TCEQ to determine where the Agency can best assist the state in contacting industrial sources along the Texas coast, most of which underwent organized shutdown of their operations in advance of the storm. We will initiate contact with sources located within the storm area to determine status and plans to resume operations, and we will closely monitor startup activities.
- We're also working with the states to provide fuel and refinery waivers to address any fuel supply issues.

Helping Region 6 to manage response efforts and focusing on the safety of those affected are our highest priorities. As rainfall continues, EPA is working with the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) to forecast any needs the state may have as a result of heavy rains and possible flooding.

This is one of those times when we must all be forward leaning. EPA has and will continue to work with our state partners to take care of people and continue to show our leadership to protect human health and the environment.

The response to the impacts of the storm will require a sustained and focused effort on the Agency's part. As we continue to integrate activities with the states and other federal response agencies, I want to thank all of you who are and will continue to monitor and respond to this emergency.

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**Sent**: 7/29/2017 6:33:17 PM

To: Bill Hammerich [bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org]

**Subject**: Re: Frasier Ranch visit

Still good for 2 on the 3rd? Never heard back from Scott.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 28, 2017, at 12:54 PM, Bill Hammerich < bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org > wrote:

Tate, good morning from Colorado.

I am available for a phone call until 1:30 today MDT.

Thanx,

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From: Bennett, Tate [mailto:Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]

Sent: Friday, July 28, 2017 4:52 AM

To: Bill Hammerich < bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org >

Subject: RE: Frasier Ranch visit

Hey there! I'll give you a shout this morning if that's ok? Sorry for the delay- I've been on the road all

week.

From: Bill Hammerich [mailto:bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org]

Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2017 6:39 PM

To: Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>; Scott Yager <syager@beef.org>

Cc: frasier@kci.net

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Bill Hammerich

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**Sent**: 7/31/2017 4:29:05 PM

To: Bill Hammerich [bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org]

**CC**: Scott Yager [syager@beef.org]

Subject: RE: Attendee list

Thanks! If you want to let them bring colleagues, that's fine too to build it out some.

From: Bill Hammerich [mailto:bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org]

**Sent:** Monday, July 31, 2017 12:08 PM **To:** Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>

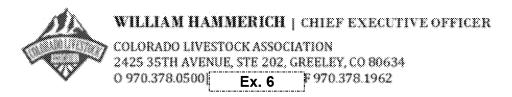
Cc: Scott Yager <syager@beef.org>; Bill Hammerich <br/>bhammerich@coloradolivestock.org>

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Tate here is the list as of this morning.

- (1) Don Brown > Colorado Commissioner of Agriculture
- (1) Laura Teague > County Commissioner Morgan County
- (5) Mark Frasier > Frasier Farms
- (1) Tom McDonald Feeder
- (1) Justin Miller Feeder
- (1) Jon Slutsky Dairy
- (1) Glenn Benjamin Rancher
- (1) Jessica Lemmel > Colorado Livestock Association
- (1) Chris Kraft Dairy
- (3) Terry Fankhauser > Colorado Cattlemen's Association
- (5) Chad Vorthman > Colorado Farm Bureau
- (3) Mark Sponsler > Colorado Corn Growers
- (1) Andrew Mertens > Farmer
- (1) Joyce Kelly > Colorado Pork Producers
- (1) Randy Traxler > Colorado Wheat Growers
- (1) Ed Frank > National Cattlemen's Beef Association

I am still waiting on confirmation from 5 other stakeholders



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Sent: 8/8/2018 4:10:41 PM

To: Don Parrish [donp@fb.org]

Subject: Re: Meeting next week

Ok. Call you then.

On Aug 8, 2018, at 11:43 AM, Don Parrish < donp@fb.org > wrote:

How about between 1:30 and 2:00?

don

From: Bennett, Tate < Bennett. Tate@epa.gov > Sent: Wednesday, August 8, 2018 9:37 AM

To: Don Parrish < donp@fb.org > Subject: Re: Meeting next week

Just when convenient. I'll be driving all afternoon.

On Aug 8, 2018, at 9:30 AM, Don Parrish < donp@fb.org > wrote:

That works - any specific time?

From: Bennett, Tate < Bennett. Tate @epa.gov > Sent: Wednesday, August 8, 2018 9:27 AM

To: Don Parrish < donp@fb.org>
Subject: Re: Meeting next week

Just for a call with me?

On Aug 8, 2018, at 9:14 AM, Don Parrish < donp@fb.org> wrote:

Sounds good – send me the details.

From: Bennett, Tate < Bennett. Tate@epa.gov > Sent: Wednesday, August 8, 2018 9:02 AM

**To:** Don Parrish < donp@fb.org> **Subject:** Re: Meeting next week

Friday afternoon?

On Aug 8, 2018, at 8:58 AM, Don Parrish < donp@fb.org> wrote:

Sure – When are you thinking? I have a couple of meetings on Thursday and one on Friday morning.

drp

From: Bennett, Tate < Bennett. Tate@epa.gov > Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 4:55 PM

To: Scott Yager <syager@beef.org>; Don Parrish

<donp@fb.org>

Subject: Meeting next week

Do you all have time to touch base before the 16<sup>th</sup>? I believe you should receive a confirmation e-mail soon. Want to see what issues you think will be covered so that we can have the Acting Admin ready. **Ex. 6** 

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 Sent:
 3/28/2018 12:51:35 AM

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From: Bennett, Tate [mailto:Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]

> Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2018 4:00 PM

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**Sent**: 3/27/2018 7:59:48 PM **To**: syager@beef.org

Subject: Meeting

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**Sent**: 3/29/2018 8:39:11 PM

To: Scott Yager [syager@beef.org]

Subject: Re: Meeting

Ugh, I mean 10:30-11?

On Mar 29, 2018, at 4:38 PM, Bennett, Tate < Bennett. Tate@epa.gov > wrote:

Can you do 11:45-12:15?

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**WASHINGTON** (October 25, 2017) - Today, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) presidential nominees to head the Agency's air, water, chemical and legal offices were approved by the U.S. Senate Environment and Public Works Committee (EPW). The following nominations will soon be moved to the Senate chamber for a full vote:

<u>Michael Dourson</u>, nominee to be assistant administrator for the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention.

<u>Matthew Leopold</u>, nominee to be assistant administrator for the Office of General Counsel at the EPA.

David Ross, nominee to be assistant administrator for the Office of Water at the EPA.

Bill Wehrum, nominee to be assistant administrator for the Office of Air and Regulation.

"I want to thank Chairman John Barrasso and Members of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee for granting our nominees a fair Hearing and approving their nominations," said Administrator Scott Pruitt. "These top leaders in their fields will bring positive change to EPA's mission to protect human health and the environment. We look forward to a full Senate vote on these highly-qualified leaders."

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Thank you all for attending today's meeting. I hope you found it informative and interesting. I have attached the sign-in sheets for those who were around the table today (I think we missed a couple attendees). On the phone were Regional Counsels from R1/R5/R6, and reps from the Business Round Table, and another I didn't catch.

Perhaps at our next meeting we can delve further into the APA "no action" issue that was raised. Please send me any follow up thoughts/inquiries, and I will route them as appropriate.

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Subject: INQUIRY: Fall Industry Association and EPA OGC Dialogue Dates

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Thank you for following up.

Yes I am interested in attending and available on both September 27th and September 28th.

Looking forward to our discussion.

Michael C. Formica National Pork Producers Council

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Sent from my SwinePhone

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Sorry for the first email. I didn't realize it was sending a link, rather than the actual attached PDF. Still learning how to use Microsoft SharePoint properly...

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## Industry Representatives Open House

Wednesday, February 22, 2017

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Washington, DC 20460

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Introductions – 10 min

Introductory Remarks (Kevin Minoli, Acting General Counsel) – 10 min

Effect of Priebus Memo and Trump E.O. on Regulations – Carol Ann Siciliano, Assoc. GC – 5 min

TSCA Section 21 Petition – Kevin Mclean, Assoc. GC – 5 min

Round Table Discussion (Attendees) – 20 min

Legal issues of interest (all)

Next Steps - 10 min

Usefulness of Open House format (all)

Opportunities for EPA to speak at annual meetings of membership (all)

Adjourn

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----Original Appointment----

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Sent: Wednesday, February 08, 2017 2:39 PM

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Subject: Industry Association and EPA OGC Dialogue (Video/Call in number: Ex. 6 When: Wednesday, February 22, 2017 12:00 PM-1:00 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where: 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW (William Jefferson Clinton Building), 4th Floor, Room 4045

External guests, please enter via our North side entrance. Once you have cleared security, someone will come down to escort you to the meeting location.

EPA Regional Counsels, to be connected via video, please use the same room as the Tuesday staff meetings. Thank you!

#### Message

From: Scott Yager [syager@beef.org]
Sent: 8/16/2017 3:12:23 PM

To: Bennett, Tate [Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: [Test] Video: EPA Administrator Pruitt Urges Ranchers to Submit WOTUS Comments

Somehow I didn't receive Amy's email.

From: Bennett, Tate [mailto:Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 16, 2017 11:11 AM

To: Scott Yager <syager@beef.org>

Subject: Fwd: [Test] Video: EPA Administrator Pruitt Urges Ranchers to Submit WOTUS Comments

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Ferguson, Lincoln" < ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>

Date: August 16, 2017 at 11:07:29 AM EDT

**To:** "Graham, Amy" <<u>graham.amy@epa.gov</u>>, "Wilcox, Jahan" <<u>wilcox.jahan@epa.gov</u>>, "Bennett, Tate" <<u>Bennett.Tate@epa.gov</u>>, "Bowman, Liz" <<u>Bowman.Liz@epa.gov</u>>, "Konkus, John" <<u>konkus.john@epa.gov</u>>, "Hewitt, James" <<u>hewitt.james@epa.gov</u>>, "Abboud, Michael" <abboud.michael@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: [Test] Video: EPA Administrator Pruitt Urges Ranchers to Submit WOTUS Comments

This looks good to me.

From: Graham, Amy

Sent: Wednesday, August 16, 2017 9:58 AM

To: Scott Yager < <a href="mailto:syager@beef.org">syager@beef.org</a>; Ferguson, Lincoln <a href="mailto:seef.org">ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov</a>; Wilcox, Jahan

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Thanks, Scott. Looping in my colleagues for their awareness.

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On Aug 15, 2017, at 4:32 PM, Scott Yager < syager@beef.org > wrote:

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From: Ed Frank

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 15, 2017 4:27 PM **To:** Scott Yager < syager@beef.org>

**Cc:** Max Moncaster < mmoncaster@beef.org >; John Robinson < jrobinson@beef.org > **Subject:** FW: [Test] Video: EPA Administrator Pruitt Urges Ranchers to Submit WOTUS Comments

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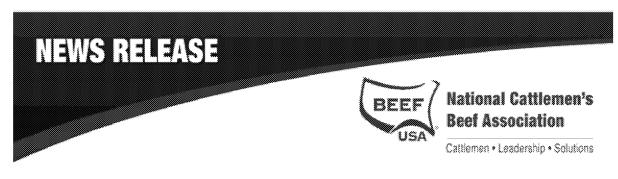
From: Ed Frank [mailto:efrank=beef.org@mail35.atl31.mcdlv.net] On Behalf Of Ed Frank

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 15, 2017 4:25 PM

To: Ed Frank < efrank@beef.org >

Subject: [Test] Video: EPA Administrator Pruitt Urges Ranchers to Submit WOTUS

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WASHINGTON (August 16, 2017) - The National Cattlemen's Beef Association today released a video featuring Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Scott Pruitt, in which Pruitt urges farmers and ranchers to submit official comments on the repeal of the Waters of the United States (WOTUS) rule before the Agency's deadline of Monday, Aug. 28, 2017.

"When comments are made a part of a record - as rule-making - we have an obligation to review them," Pruitt says in NCBA's video. "It helps inform our decision-making process; it

helps us make better decisions. And so we want farmers and ranchers across this country to provide comments."



The video was filmed during a visit that Pruitt and his senior staff made earlier this month to the Frasier Ranch, located just outside Last Chance, Colorado. During the visit, part of the Administrator's nationwide "State Action Tour," Pruitt met with and solicited input from several dozen local ranchers about how to proceed after the Obama-era WOTUS is repealed.

"We're trying to fix the challenges from the 2015 rule, where the Obama Administration reimagined their authority under the Clean Water Act and defined a Water of the United States as being a puddle, a dry creek bed, and ephemeral drainage ditches across this country, which created great uncertainty... and we are fixing that, and then we're hearing from stakeholders about how to get it right as we go forward," Pruitt said.

NCBA has helped lead the charge against the Obama-era Waters of the U.S. rule, and cattle producers can file official comments through the groups website at <a href="http://www.beefusa.org/newsreleases1.aspx?newsid=6381">www.Beefusa.org/newsreleases1.aspx?newsid=6381</a>.

NCBA's video with Pruitt can be viewed at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vTVd54WyhDQ&hd=1

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The National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) has represented America's cattle producers since 1898, preserving the heritage and strength of the industry through education and public policy. As the largest association of cattle producers, NCBA works to create new markets and increase demand for beef. Efforts are made possible through membership contributions. To join, contact NCBA at 1-866-BEEF-USA or <a href="membership@beef.org">membership@beef.org</a>.

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Cc: Ed Frank <efrank@beef.org>

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Hey Scott -

Sorry to just get back to you. Circling up with Amy now. We'll get back to you ASAP.

From: Scott Yager [mailto:syager@beef.org]
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To: Ferguson, Lincoln < ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>

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Lincoln,

I forwarded this to Amy yesterday but I got a response message that she's out of office. I want to make sure that someone in the Administrator's office put their eyes on it before we go live, which we are planning to do later today. Let me know your thoughts. -Scott

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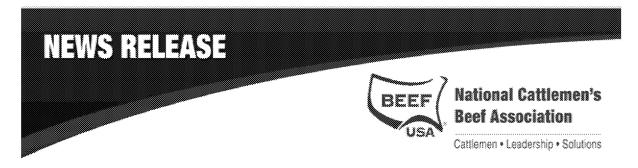
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# In New NCBA Video, EPA Administrator Pruitt Urges Ranchers to Submit WOTUS Comments

"We Want Farmers and Ranchers to Provide Comments," Pruitt Says

WASHINGTON (August 16, 2017) - The National Cattlemen's Beef Association today released a video featuring Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Scott Pruitt, in which Pruitt urges farmers and ranchers to submit official comments on the repeal of the Waters of the United States (WOTUS) rule before the Agency's deadline of Monday, Aug. 28, 2017.

"When comments are made a part of a record - as rule-making - we have an obligation to review them," Pruitt says in NCBA's video. "It helps inform our decision-making process; it helps us make better decisions. And so we want farmers and ranchers across this country to provide comments."



The video was filmed during a visit that Pruitt and his senior staff made earlier this month to the Frasier Ranch, located just outside Last Chance, Colorado. During the visit, part of the Administrator's nationwide "State Action Tour," Pruitt met with and solicited input from several dozen local ranchers about how to proceed after the Obama-era WOTUS is repealed.

"We're trying to fix the challenges from the 2015 rule, where the Obama Administration reimagined their authority under the Clean Water Act and defined a Water of the United States as being a puddle, a dry creek bed, and ephemeral drainage ditches across this country, which created great uncertainty... and we are fixing that, and then we're hearing from stakeholders about how to get it right as we go forward," Pruitt said.

NCBA has helped lead the charge against the Obama-era Waters of the U.S. rule, and cattle producers can file official comments through the groups website at www.BeefUSA.org or at http://www.beefusa.org/newsreleases1.aspx?newsid=6381.

NCBA's video with Pruitt can be viewed at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vTVd54WyhDQ&hd=1

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The National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) has represented America's cattle producers since 1898, preserving the heritage and strength of the industry through education and public policy. As the largest association of cattle producers, NCBA works to create new markets and increase demand for beef. Efforts are made possible through membership contributions. To join, contact NCBA at 1-866-BEEF-USA or <a href="membership@beef.org">membership@beef.org</a>.

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#### Message

From: Ed Frank [efrank@beef.org]
Sent: 8/2/2017 9:10:43 PM

To: Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]; Scott Yager [syager@beef.org]

CC: Bennett, Tate [Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: press question for Frasier ranch

Hi, Amy. I think Kevin said we could do the interview after the meeting but before the farm tour, so probably 2:15 or so, I'm guessing. My number is Personal Phone / Ex. 6

Re: our podcast and newsletter, the podcast goes out to about 350 ag trade reporters and gets a lot of play on farm radio networks around the country. You can check out the one we recorded yesterday with Scott Yager here:

https://soundcloud.com/beltway-beef/beltway-beef-august-1-2017-submit-your-wotus-comments-today2

The newsletter is emailed every Thursday to approximately 10,000 people - mainly NCBA members, state cattlemen groups, trade press, and Hill staff. It's essentially a summary of NCBA's activities from each week - summaries and links to our news releases, podcast, Twitter posts, etc. I'll send you a copy of last week's newsletter so you have a good idea what it looks like.

If you need any additional info, please just let me know - we really appreciate your help with this.

Thanks, -Ed

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From: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov> Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2017 4:51:00 PM

To: Scott Yager

Cc: Bennett, Tate; Ed Frank

Subject: Re: press question for Frasier ranch

Hey Scott and Ed - for my awareness, what time did Kevin tell you we could facilitate the interview tomorrow? Also, Ed, what is your phone number?

Do you also have any statistics you can share on how many listeners/viewers for the podcast, newsletter, etc.

Once we have this information we should be good to go.

Thanks, Amy

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 2, 2017, at 2:50 PM, Scott Yager <syager@beef.org> wrote:

I'm on the hill and then in meetings for most of this afternoon. Call me on my personal work phone at Personal Phone / Ex. 6 and I will try to answer or get back to you shortly.

From: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov> Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2017 1:41:18 PM

To: Scott Yager

Cc: Bennett, Tate; Ed Frank

**Subject:** Re: press question for Frasier ranch

Hi Scott, that sounds great. I will give you a call this afternoon to go over final details.

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 2, 2017, at 1:20 PM, Scott Yager < <a href="mailto:syager@beef.org">syager@beef.org</a>> wrote:

Amy, just following up on this because I haven't received your response, and I just want to make sure we are in a good place. Ed flew out to Denver last night and is planning to conduct a 5 minute interview with the Administrator, as well as take pictures and video. We just had a call with Kevin Chmielieiski and I put it on his radar that Ed will be there. Kevin suggested that we can fit in the 5 minute interview between Q&A and before going on the tour.

Ed Frank our comms director is coming out to Frasier Ranch for the meeting on Thursday. He would like to get a 5 min interview with the Administrator regarding WOTUS, and take pictures, and video. It will be on our NCBA podcast, weekly newsletter, and possibly other NCBA social media.

From: Scott Yager

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 1, 2017 11:06 AM

To: Bennett, Tate < bennett.tate@epa.gov >; Graham, Amy < graham.amy@epa.gov >

Cc: Ed Frank < efrank@beef.org >

Subject: RE: press question for Frasier ranch

Hi Amy,

I think I answered all your questions in the email I sent earlier. Let me or Ed know if you need anything else.

-Scott

From: Graham, Amy

Sent: Tuesday, August 1, 10:39 AM

Subject: RE: press question for Frasier ranch

To: Bennett, Tate, Scott Yager

Hi Scott – Happy to set something up. Can you tell me more about who would conduct the interview, how long you need, where it will run, topics, etc?

From: Bennett, Tate

Sent: Tuesday, August 1, 2017 10:31 AM

To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Scott Yager <syager@beef.org>

Subject: press question for Frasier ranch

Amy- Scott Yager with Beef Cattlemen are looking for a 5 min interview at Frasier ranch. Scott is cc'd and can elaborate.